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A Rundown on DS lite Improvements & Additions

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THE DS LITE BUYERS' GUIDE

So you're thinking about giving into your techno-lust and buying a Nintendo DS lite, or perhaps your original DS is already sitting unused with only the memories of your soft touch to comfort it. Your gaming future may now be lighter and brighter, but how can you be sure you're enjoying its full potential? Don't fret, 4 color rebellion is here to help you get the most out of the new and beautiful dual-screened wonder.



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NINTENDO DS LITE FULL REPORT

While the original Dual Screen hardware kept handheld competitors at bay, protecting the marketshare Nintendo had built up with the Game Boy and Game Boy Advance platforms, Nintendo's engineers were already hard at work designing the DS system's successor.

The Nintendo DS lite seeks to amend grievances many expressed with the original. Some are wondering if the revisions are enough reason to upgrade. Others are waiting to see if Nintendo "finally got it right this time" before buying a DS. We have put together a report on what has been changed and improved.

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Nintendo DS lite Full Report



DIMENSIONS

Weight: 218g

Vs Original: **21% lighter**

Size: 133 mm × 73.9 mm × 21.5 mm

Vs Original: **42% less volume**

Closed, the Nintendo DS lite stands a few millimeters taller than the original DS' bottom half.

STYLUS

Size: 87.5 mm × 4.9 mm

Vs Original: **43% bigger**

The heavier, white stylus now slides sideways into its storage slot.

SCREENS

Both of the DS lite's screens retain the 3" size used by the original DS.

There are now four levels of brightness settings instead of the standard on/off choice. All four levels are brighter than the original DS. Battery life has been extended to accommodate for the new settings.

The screen placement has been designed so that both screens touch when the clamshell casing is closed, preventing any scratches or damage from loose items.

The touch screen is now more durable and scratch resistant.

BUTTONS

The Start and Select buttons have been condensed, rounded, and moved to the lower right under the face buttons for easier access.

The power button is now a slider. It has been relocated to the right edge where users can no longer accidentally press it.

The directional pad mimics the Game Boy Micro's acclaimed d-pad, and is now 16% smaller. Both the d-pad and face buttons have been moved up slightly, but the ABXY buttons remain the same size. The face buttons now feel "softer."

MISCELLANEOUS

Due to the DS lite's smaller size, GBA carts stick out approximately 1cm from the GBA slot. A seamless cart is now included to cover the GBA slot when not in use.

The microphone is now on the center hinge, as are the LED status lights. The status lights are visible even when the DS lite is closed. The hinge has also been made sturdier.

The power adapter has been changed, and is no longer compatible with the GBA and original DS chargers. A new charger is included with every system purchase.



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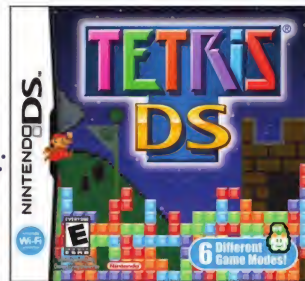
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"Itsa me, Mario! Remember when you play my game back in the 80s? Thatsa what I brought back for my new game! I run and ajump and stomp ona some goombas!"

My Italian is a bit rusty, but hopefully you caught the gist of that. Mario returns with classic platforming action that takes you back to the NES days. It's fast, colorful and fun. It's not the deepest game you'll ever play, let alone the deepest Mario game, but with the addition of a multiplayer mode, tons of mini-games and some unlockables, this one will leave you squealing in delight like you did as a wee laddie or lass. The real question is... Can you remember how to make the fireworks go off?

Seven Games You Need in Your DS Collection



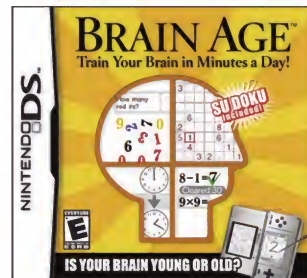
TETRIS

Remember sitting in the back of class, playing 4-bit Tetris on your fat, beige Game Boy brick? Tetris DS is the same game you remember, but with even more. You can't improve on Tetris, but several unique and Nintendo-exclusive modes (ex., a Touch Mode), make sure your entire family can find a game to play! It even has support for 10 players using a single cart, along with online battles for 2-4 people.

BRAIN AGE

Played by everyone, even your grandma. It's an easy pickup and play title which you'll be tending to for about 15 minutes each day, training your brain with a variety of mental exercises. Hundreds of Sudoku puzzles also come included.

Brain Training will keep you occupied and have those neurons firing as you attempt to decrease your brain's age each day.





METROID PRIME: HUNTERS

Are you the hunter or the hunted? Samus faced 6 other Bounty Hunters in a race to collect Alimbic artifacts scattered across the galaxy. The story may be weak, but Metroid Prime: Hunters shines with its multiplayer capabilities.

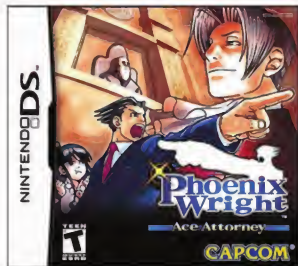
MPH sports 2-4 multiplayer action with either single or multcart, as well as the ability to go online and play with anyone in the world. NST was kind enough to throw in voice chat capability for use before and after matches with friends. There's a

plethora of online options and multiplayer variants to choose from. You'll be up long into the night, screaming through your microphone in rage, as the gameplay warps your hand into a disfigured claw.



KIRBY: CANVAS CURSE

You'd expect that the DS's first killer app would be hanging from the shelves like streamers from the ceiling of a fourth grade classroom, but surprisingly, Kirby's Canvas Curse is among one of the toughest games to get your hands on for the DS. Including elements from every Kirby game before it, you can't exactly run around jumping and playing — you draw where Kirby's gotta go.



PHOENIX WRIGHT

Prepare to defend the innocent and prove your own innocence in this courtroom graphic adventure. You play as Phoenix Wright, a rookie defense lawyer armed with some wild cross-examination skills. Investigate crime scenes, question witnesses, and present evidence using your stylus with this romp through the legal system.

ANIMAL CROSSING: WILD WORLD

Love the Gamecube version? This one takes that pleasant formula of keeping your town clean and neighbors happy, and expands on it. Planting and watering flowers, playing errand boy for the locals, and of course, the relaxing sport of fishing — all of it and more returns for this portable successor. Plus, this one has online multiplayer! Never

underestimate the enjoyment derived from having fishing competitions with up to four friends from around the world. In a town that's running every day of the year, there's always something fun to do whether you're there or not.



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**Accessorize
your DS lite just
like your favorite
rapper!***

When he isn't busy rapping about beating you up, 50 CENT likes to unwind with a game of Super Princess Peach. If you thought getting shot nine times was bad, imagine how 50 felt when he noticed all the stylus scratches on his touchscreen! Mr. Half-a-Dollar soon learned not to walk the streets without a bulletproof vest, and not to let his DS lite screens go unprotected.

Many retailers sell thin films of plastic specifically tailored for guarding DS screens. They shouldn't cost more than a couple dollars and won't affect gameplay either! We suggest Hori's line of screen protectors for all the G-Unit thugs out there.

Rumble Pak



Kelis' Rumble Pak brings all the boys to the yard. Just by using it, her games play better than yours. Nintendo has made it possible for your DS system to vibrate along with the game's action, just like your console controller. You can get this extra sensory experience by having the Rumble Pak cart in the GBA slot while you play games like Metroid Prime Pinball. A smaller Rumble Pak designed for the DS lite has just been announced in Japan. Import shops should be able to sell you one soon, but they'll have to charge (approximately \$25).

*Rappers may or may not actually own a Nintendo DS lite or any accessories.

Stylus

Even people who don't like hip-hop music are familiar with Tupac Shakur's hit single, *Dear Mama*, an ode to single parents everywhere. What most folks don't know is that the song was originally about a letter he wrote to his mother asking for a Battle Stylus from PDA Panache. This all-metal replacement for the DS' dinky stylus has received a tremendous amount of praise from both users and rappers alike. The balanced weight, extended finger grip, and bonus stylus make the \$14.95 a value you can't be mad at.

Battle Stylus lite

PDA Panache already has a new version of the Battle Stylus planned for a July release. This further improved design will be sized to fit the DS lite's stylus compartment. Upon an intense round of questioning, one of the company's representatives revealed a few details: "We've decided on a chrome finish for this stylus instead of the black, as we think it will best compliment the lite's color schemes. The price will be the same as our original DS stylus upgrade."



USB Charger

Snoop Dogg doesn't have time to look for the AC adapter to charge his Nintendo DS. He is a busy man, what with all the pimping his daily schedule requires and the dropping of items as if they were hot. This is why the Doggfather keeps a USB cable for his DS handy. Using one of these, you can charge your DS lite anytime and anywhere a PC USB port is available. Though its convenience may sound expensive, the \$5 cost ain't nuthin' but a cheap thang.



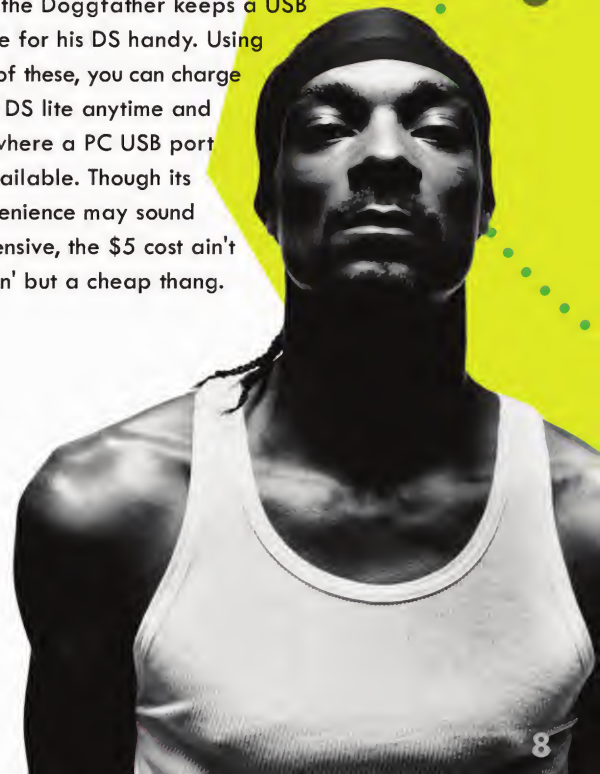
System Case

After a few weeks of enduring the offensive odors that clung onto his gaming handheld, Kanye West decided it was finally time to quit keeping his DS lite in an old sock. A search for an appropriate case followed, and a wide selection of soft pouches were found. The shock-absorbing cases come in a variety of colors and prices. While you'll benefit from using any of them, we'll once again suggest that you go ahead and get down with a Hori case.



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TRANSFER YOUR OLD DS' WiFi DATA



Despite already being explained in the Nintendo DS instruction manual and on NintendoWiFi.com, many gamers are faced with the problem of not knowing how to transfer their WFC ID from one DS to another. Here's a quick and simple guide to help you with that endeavor.

TRANSFER YOUR OLD DS' WiFi DATA

Buying a new Nintendo DS doesn't mean losing your WiFi Connection (WFC) data. Follow these 10 simple steps found on NintendoWifi.com, & hold onto your Friend Codes and WFC stats!



First DS (system you are transferring the ID from):

1. Turn on any Nintendo WFC-compatible game and access the WFC Setup Utility. (Consult the game manual for the game you are playing for specific information.)
2. Tap "Options."
3. Tap "Transfer Nintendo WFC Configuration."
4. Tap "Ok", then tap "Ok" again.

Second DS (system you are transferring the ID to):

5. Remove all games from the DS you wish to transfer the settings to, then turn the system on.
6. On the DS's main menu, select "DS Download Play."
7. Select "Nintendo WFC Configuration Transfer."

8. Tap "Yes" when asked if you want to download the software. The word "Downloading..." will appear.

First DS:

9. On the DS with Nintendo WFC configuration, tap "Ok" to confirm that you wish to transfer the configuration.

Second DS:

If there is an existing configuration on the new DS, tap "Ok" to confirm that you wish to overwrite the existing configuration. Once the transfer begins, it will take about half a minute.

Both DS Systems

10. Once the configuration has been transferred, tap "Ok" to save the changes and shut each system off.



FROM DARKNESS TO LITE

I put it off for months. I tried to tell myself that my existing grey DS that I bought at launch was fine. But while I was home visiting my family, my brother talked about how much he wanted a DS. In a moment of extreme generosity I gave him mine. But now what was I to do? I now had to buy a DS lite. There was no choice.

My friends had already bought lites and when we got together, I had such DS envy. It looked like I was playing a DS with the screens covered in soot. When I finally bought my lite, I could

tell right away that the control was tighter, the new, larger stylus was more comfortable, and the colors were much more vibrant. What's amazing is that when playing some games, I can see details in the background that I never even noticed on my old DS. It was always so subtle on the dimmer screen but now these things stand out clearly. I really think this is how the programmers meant for the games to be seen.

The system is about the same weight as Fatty McBrick, but just feels more solid. There is less empty space and it gives less of the impression of it being a toy. Yet it still feels durable enough that when I drop it (and I always do), it will still work. And I

know I should not think of my electronics this way, but the lite is sexy, really sexy. I had to have one. I think many of you will feel the same way.

I have converted and now I am a believer. I will miss my "classic" DS, but at this point I could never go back. It is a far bigger update than the original Game Boy Advance to the Game Boy Advance SP. I suggest that everyone make the jump and do it while you can still get some money for your grey DS. Or better yet, pass it on to a needy gamer or your Mom or Grandpa. They might not care about the looks as much and you might wind up getting them into games in the process.

This is the DS you will own. You can try to fight it like I did, but eventually you will get one, it's just that nice. In the meantime, there is nothing wrong with the original DS, which is beautiful in it's own way and will still play every game fine and dandy. But your DS isn't stupid; it knows you are sneaking peeks at the lite. Just let it down gently, you have had some great times together. You will be happy in your new life with the lite, that is until Nintendo releases an even sexier model and you move onto that. I guess that is why we are video game "players". Head towards the lite! You won't regret it.

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We like to think that it's our charm and love of all things truly entertaining. Reading our daily posts crammed with wit, humanity, and an enthusiastic community surrounding the site like bubble wrap, you'll find that every trip to 4cr is a fantastic adventure on a scale of which the world has never seen! Well, not entirely, but you will enjoy interesting and passionate coverage on stories, witness our artistic side emerging, let us blab in your ears with our weekly podcast, and become a part of one of gaming's most involved communities. Also, did I mention that we have three French-Canadians? Come join us!

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